

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title:	Friedel-Crafts Acylation Process	)
	in Ionic Liquids	)
Examiner:	Witherspoon, Sikarl A	)
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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE  
AND COMMENTS ON THE EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

The Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the allowance of claims 1-16 in the subject application by the Examiner, and the acknowledgment made of the claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(a)-(d) or (f). The Applicants agree with the Examiner's Comments for Allowance to the extent that Applicants also believe claims 1-16 to be patentable.

Nevertheless, Applicants expressly reserve the right to traverse the Examiner's Statements of Reasons for Allowance to the extent that any statement therein, or in any other part of the prosecution is intended to or has the effect of limiting any claim scope, explicitly or implicitly, or is intended to or has the effect of limiting any claim scope by stating or implying that all the reasons for patentability are in any way fully enumerated.

There may be a number of reasons for allowability which have not been listed whether in the Statement of Reasons for Allowance or otherwise. The Applicants specifically do not acquiesce or agree in any manner as to any assertion in Examiner's statements that may be interpreted to narrow the claims to less than their recited and/or intended scope.

Moreover, Applicants also hereby accept the Examiner's Amendment of claims 12 and 13; but nevertheless, note here as well that such amendatory matter does not affect the claim scope explicitly or implicitly; and thus Applicants do not acquiesce or agree in any manner to any assertion that the Examiner's Amendment may narrow, or that it may be used to interpret a narrowing of the claims.

If there are any questions, please contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully Submitted,

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